THE MEMORIAL

Of Doctor *WILLIAM BRIGGS*, Relating to St. *Thomas's Hoſpital*, &c.

HE was placed *Phyſician* in *St. Thomas's* Hoſpital in *Southwark*, about the *Year* 1681, by King *Charles* II. and the Governors commiſſioned by him, (purſuant to an Act in the *Twenty Fifth* Year of King *Henry* VIII.) and continued his Care of the Patients therein for about *Seven* Years, during which time many Thouſands were Cured.

The ſaid Dr *Briggs*, in the Year 1689, or thereabouts, was at great Expence in Vindicating the Title of the Crown to the ſaid *Royal Foundation*, and had the Recommendation of His late *Majeſty* and Court of Aldermen to continue: But by Oppoſition of the now diſmiſt Phyſician, and his Pretences to Serve the Houſe alone (which ſince appear'd otherwiſe) was laid aſide.

In the Year 1696, the ſaid *Dr.* was Sworn *Phyſician in Ordinary* to His late Majeſty King *William*, and took great Care of the Royal Houſhold for above *Five* Years; yet not receiving any Reward for his ſaid Service, in the Year 1698 he Petitioned his ſaid Majeſty for ſome Compenſation, and had his Royal Promiſe that he ſhould be conſider'd for the ſame.

Therefore he hopes there will be a Regard to his former Services in the ſaid Hoſpital, and his Fidelity to the Government.